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TOPIC	KVPD Oranienburg			
EVALUATION	25X1	PLACE OBTAINED	25X1	
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- From 13 to 26 April 1953, [] the bulk of the KVPD which had arrived from Grossenhain was quartered in the former SS billets of the Sachsenhausen concentration camp near Oranienburg. The concentration camp itself and private houses in the area quartered Soviet soldiers. Red-bordered epaulets, some of them with tank insignia, and some T-34/85 tanks were seen there. The billeting areas of the Soviets and the KVP were being separated by a fence.
- On 18 April, six T-34/85 tanks arrived for the KVP. After this date, shipments of heavy equipment arrived almost daily.
- The tank unit was equipped with 30 T-34 and T-34/85 tanks, 6 trucks, 5 motorcycles, and 1 sedan. The reconnaissance unit had 1 scout car, 15 motorcycles, and 1 sedan. The 3d Company of the 3d Regiment was equipped with a sedan and 12 trucks.

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Comment. The arrival of tanks and other type equipment in Oranienburg indicates that the VP cadre unit there is being brought to full strength. According to VP deserters, the VP unit involved was directly assigned to the Ministry of the Interior immediately after its transfer from Grossenhain to Oranienburg, while the other VP cadre units are subordinate to the various Armeegruppen.

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